

January 19, 2024

TO: Members of the MAG Transportation Review Committee

FROM: Chris Bridges, Goodyear, Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA
Thursday, January 25, 2024 – 10 a.m.
Virtual Meeting

The MAG Transportation Review Committee meeting has been scheduled at the time noted above. The meeting will be held as a virtual meeting only, with no in-person attendance options available at this time. Instructions on how to participate will be provided via email to members of the committee. Members of the public may view the meeting via a live video stream MAG's [YouTube channel](#).

Those who want to provide public comments for the meeting, written comments relating to this meeting may be submitted online at azmag.gov/comment. Comments must be received at least **two hours prior** to the posted start time for the meeting. Comments received by the deadline will be provided to members of the committee in advance of the meeting for consideration. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to committee members at the next scheduled meeting of the committee, except for comments specific to an agenda item for that meeting. Please note that comments for specific agenda items received after the deadline will not be forwarded and would need to be resubmitted prior to the next meeting of the committee.

In 1996, the Regional Council approved a simple majority quorum for all MAG advisory committees. If the Committee does not meet the quorum requirement, members who have joined the meeting will be notified that a legal meeting cannot occur, and the meeting will end. Member participation in the meeting is strongly encouraged.

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MAG works to ensure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, Executive Order 12898 on Environmental Justice, and related authorities and regulations in all programs and activities. See our full [Title VI Notice to the Public](#) for more information. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact MAG at (602) 254-6300.

cc: MAG Intergovernmental Representatives



MAG Transportation Review Committee TENTATIVE AGENDA January 25, 2024

1. Call to Order

2. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to provide input through written comment to the Transportation Review Committee on items that are not on the agenda that are within the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Members of the public are asked to submit written comments related to this meeting through the MAG website at azmag.gov/comment, and indicate for which meeting the comment is intended. Comments must be received at least two hours prior to the posted start time for the meeting. Comments received by the deadline will be provided to members of the committee in advance of the meeting. Comments received after the deadline will be provided to committee members at the next scheduled meeting of the committee, except for comments specific to an agenda item for that meeting. Please note that comments for specific agenda items received after the deadline will not be forwarded and would need to be resubmitted prior to the next meeting of the committee.

Action Requested:
Information.

3. Transportation Policy and Planning Director's Report

The MAG Transportation Policy and Planning Director will review recent activities and upcoming agenda items for other MAG committees.

Action Requested:
Information.

4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Committee members may request that an item be removed from the consent agenda. Prior to action on the Consent Agenda, committee members are requested to review any written/online public comments received for the Consent Agenda. Consent items are marked with an asterisk (*).

Action Requested:

Approval of the Consent Agenda.

ITEMS PROPOSED FOR CONSENT *

***4A. Approval of the December 14, 2023, Meeting Minutes**

Action Requested:

Approval of the December 14, 2023, meeting minutes.

***4B. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project Changes**

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-2025 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the MOMENTUM 2050 MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) were approved by the MAG Regional Council on December 1, 2021, and the Regional Strategic Transportation Infrastructure Investment Plan (RSTIIP) was approved by the MAG Regional Council on September 27, 2023.

Since approval of the last amendment, additional changes and modifications are needed. Please refer to the enclosed material.

Action Requested:

Recommend approval of amendments and administrative modifications to the Fiscal Year 2022-2025 MAG TIP, RSTIIP, and MOMENTUM 2050 MAG RTP.

ITEMS PROPOSED TO BE HEARD

5. 2020 Census Boundary Smoothing

Federal regulations allow States and local officials to adjust US Census defined urban area boundaries to address transportation needs. This process,

known as smoothing, does not affect funding apportioned and allocated to the region, but does affect where MAG Surface Transportation Program funds may be expended. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) provides guidance for states and metropolitan planning organizations to smooth boundaries. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) is leading this effort with input from MAG and member agencies. Please refer to the enclosed material.

Action Requested:

Recommend acceptance of the 2020 Census smoothed urban area boundaries for the MAG region.

6. Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) Status Report

The Arterial Life Cycle Program (ALCP) is the financial management tool for the arterial street component of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The ALCP Policies and Procedures require a Status Report be provided to MAG committee members semi-annually to give an update on all project requirements and financial information. The July 2023 – December 2023 Status Report is the first report for Fiscal Year (FY) 2024. The Status Report provides information on projects programmed to receive reimbursements in FY 2024. Please refer to the enclosed material.

Action Requested:

Information and discussion.

7. Post-COVID Traffic Trends in the MAG Region

Monitoring and analyzing regional traffic trends is an ongoing focus for MAG. The acquisition of traffic data plays a crucial role in transportation planning and engineering studies. MAG has consistently offered updates on regional traffic trends since the onset of the COVID pandemic. With traffic gradually establishing a "new normal" in the post-COVID period, there has been a notable surge in traffic volumes and changes in travel patterns, influencing the level of service on regional roads. This presentation aims to provide insights into traffic conditions and trends, encompassing details on traffic volumes, congestion levels, and truck travel. Please refer to the enclosed material.

Action Requested:

Information and discussion.

8. Member Agency Updates

This section of the agenda will provide committee members with an opportunity to share information regarding a variety of transportation related issues within their respective communities.

Action Requested:

Information and discussion.

9. Request for Future Agenda Items

Topics or issues of interest that the Transportation Review Committee would like to have considered for discussion at a future meeting will be requested.

Action Requested:

Information.

Adjournment